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TOPIC Oranienburg Airfield

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1. On 2 September 1950 it was observed that the searchlights on the northern edge of the Oranienburg (N 53/Z 67) airfield were being raised 70 to 80 cm. The searchlights on the southern edge were on their previous locations and an additional row of the same number of searchlights was parallel to them at a distance of 40 to 50 meters. The faces of the searchlights had a louver-type shutter. *
2. On the mornings of 4 and 7 September 1950 local flights were made by five or six single-engine low-wing monoplanes. The weather was unfavorable. It was noticed that all planes took off toward north and returned from the same direction. **
3. On 7 September 1950, 18 jet fighters with swept-back wings, 4 without camouflage covers, were parked on the southeastern edge of the field. One biplane and one single-engine fighter with in-line engine were also seen at the field. The biplane took off, heading east, and the fighter made training flights about noon. The jet fighters did not fly prior to 2 p.m. ***
4. Trucks were seen near the barracks buildings northeast of the field. A searchlight, about 1 1/2 meters in diameter and covered with tarpaulins, was on the roof of each truck.
- Comment. The searchlights were previously reported . They are in the extension of the runway and mark the approach lane.
- Comment. It is possible that the aircraft practiced approach by radio beacons.
- Comment. No change in the aircraft strength at the field was observed. One fighter regiment is still believed to be stationed in Oranienburg.

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